

Prior Authorization Requirements for Medica HealthCare and Preferred Care Partners of Florida Effective January 1, 2019

General Information

This list contains prior authorization requirements for Medica HealthCare and Preferred Care Partners of Florida participating care providers for inpatient and outpatient services.

To request prior authorization, please submit your request online or by phone:

- **Online:** Use the Prior Authorization and Notification app on Link. Go to **UHCprovider.com** and click on the Link button in the top right corner. Then, select the Prior Authorization and Notification app tile on your Link dashboard.
- **Phone:**
 - **Medica HealthCare:** 866-273-9444
 - **Preferred Care Partners:** 800-995-0480

Prior authorization is not required for emergency or urgent care.

Plans with referral requirements: If a member's health plan ID card says "Referral Required," certain services may require a referral from the member's primary care provider and prior authorization obtained by the treating physician. You can find more information about the referral process in the 2018 UnitedHealthcare Administrative Guide for Commercial and Medicare Advantage Including UnitedHealthcare West Fee-for-Service at **UHCprovider.com** > Menu > Administrative Guides.

The following plans require prior authorization for in-network services:

Included Plans

Medica HealthCare: Medica HealthCare Plans MedicareMax (HMO) – Group 77700, 77701; Medica HealthCare Plans MedicareMax Plus (HMO SNP) – Group 77702, 77703, 77704

Preferred Care Partners: Preferred Choice Broward HMO – Group 78601; Preferred Choice Dade (HMO) – Group 78600; Preferred Choice Palm Beach (HMO) – Group 78606; Preferred Medicare Assist (HMO SNP) – Group 78602, 78603, 78609; Preferred Medicare Assist Palm Beach (HMO SNP) – Group 78607, 78608, 78610; Preferred Special Care Miami-Dade (HMO SNP) – Group 78605

Procedures and Services	Additional Information	CPT® or HCPCS Codes and/or How to Obtain Prior Authorization			
Behavioral health services	Many of our benefit plans only provide coverage for behavioral health services through a designated behavioral health network.	For specific codes requiring prior authorization, please call the number on the member's health plan ID card to refer for mental health and substance abuse/substance services			
Bone growth stimulator Electronic stimulation or ultrasound to heal fractures	Prior authorization required	20974 E0748	20975 E0749	20979 E0760	E0747
Breast reconstruction – non-mastectomy Reconstruction of the breast except when following mastectomy	Prior authorization required	11920 19318 19330 19357 19367 19371	11921 19324 19340 19361 19368 19380	11922 19325 19342 19364 19369 19396	19316 19328 19350 19366 19370 L8600
Notification or prior authorization is <u>not</u> required for the following diagnosis codes:					
C50.019 C50.011 C50.012 C50.111					

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Breast reconstruction – non-mastectomy (cont'd)		C50.112	C50.119	C50.211	C50.212
		C50.219	C50.311	C50.312	C50.319
		C50.411	C50.412	C50.419	C50.511
		C50.512	C50.519	C50.611	C50.612
		C50.619	C50.811	C50.812	C50.819
		C50.911	C50.912	C50.919	C50.029
		C50.021	C50.022	C50.121	C50.122
		C50.129	C50.221	C50.222	C50.229
		C50.321	C50.322	C50.329	C50.421
		C50.422	C50.429	C50.521	C50.522
		C50.529	C50.621	C50.622	C50.629
		C50.821	C50.822	C50.829	C50.921
		C50.922	C50.929	C79.81	D05.90
		D05.00	D05.01	D05.02	D05.10
		D05.11	D05.12	D05.80	D05.81
		D05.82	D05.91	D05.92	Z85.3
		Z90.10	Z90.11	Z90.12	Z90.13
	Z42.1				
Cardiology services	Prior authorization no longer required				
Chemotherapy services	Prior authorization no longer required				
Cochlear implants and other auditory implants	Prior authorization required	69714	69715	69718	69930
A medical device, including a those with a surgically implanted portion, within the inner ear and with an external portion to help persons with profound sensorineural deafness to achieve conversational speech		L8614	L8619	L8690	L8691
		L8692			
Cosmetic and reconstructive procedures	Prior authorization required	11960	11971	15820	15821
Cosmetic procedures that change or improve physical appearance, without significantly improving or restoring physiological function	Advance notification required for inpatient or outpatient services	15822	15823	15830	15847
		17106	17107	17108	17999
Reconstructive procedures that treat a medical condition or improve or restore physiologic function		21172	21175	21179	21180
		21181	21182	21183	21184
		21230	21235	21248	21249
		21255	21256	21260	21261
		21263	21267	21268	21275
		21299	21740	21742	21743
		28344	30540	30545	30560
		30620	31295	31296	31297
		31298	67900	67901	67902
		67903	67904	67906	67908
	67909	67912	67950	67961	
	67966	Q2026			
Durable medical equipment (DME)	All requests for durable medical equipment should be directed to a health plan contracted vendor. For more information, please call the number on the member's health plan ID card.				

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End-stage renal disease/dialysis services Services for the treatment of end-stage renal disease (ESRD) require advance notification, which includes outpatient dialysis services	Advance notification is required if a member is referred to an out-of-network provider for dialysis services. Using an in-network dialysis center can help our members avoid high cost-shares, even when they may have out-of-network benefits. Advance notification isn't required for ESRD when a Medicare member travels outside of the service area. Note: Your agreement with us may include restrictions on referring members outside of the UnitedHealthcare network.	To enroll or refer a Medicare member to the Kidney Resource Service, please call 866-561-7518 .			
Gender dysphoria treatment	Prior authorization required	Notification or prior authorization required for the following regardless of diagnosis code: 55970 55980 Notification or prior authorization required for the following when submitted with a diagnosis code F64.0, F64.1, F64.2, F64.8, F64.9 or Z87.890: 14000 14001 14041 15734 15738 15750 15757 15758 15775 15776 15780 15781 15782 15783 15788 15789 15792 15793 19303 19304 20926 21899 31599 31899 53410 53420 53425 53430 54125 54400 54401 54405 54408 54520 54660 54690 55175 55180 55866 56625 56800 56805 57106 57110 57291 57292 57295 57296 57335 57426 58661 58720 58940 64856 64892 64896 92507 92508			
Home health care services	All requests for home health services should be directed to a health plan contracted vendor. For more information, please call the number on the member's health plan ID card.				
Hysterectomy (abdominal and laparoscopic surgeries) – inpatient and outpatient procedures	Prior authorization required Out-of-network or claims submitted by non-participating care providers without a pre-determination will be reviewed for medical necessity following the service and before payment.	58150 58542 58552 58571	58152 58543 58553 58572	58180 58544 58554 58573	58541 58550 58570
Hysterectomy (vaginal) – inpatient only	No prior authorization required for outpatient vaginal hysterectomies Out-of-network or claims submitted	58260 58270 58291	58262 58275 58292	58263 58280 58293	58267 58290 58294

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Hysterectomy (vaginal) – inpatient only (cont'd)	by non-participating care providers without a pre-determination will be reviewed for medical necessity following the service and before payment.	
Injectable medications	Prior authorization required	Crysvita[®] J0584 Erythropoiesis-Stimulating agents J0881 J0885 Hyaluronic Acid Polymers (FDA approved as medical devices) J7320 J7321 J7322 J7323 J7324 J7326 J7327 Immunomodulators J1745 Luxturna[™] J3398 Onpattro[™] C9036 Radicava[®] J1301 Spinraza[™] J2326 Unclassified codes* C9399 J3490 J3590
Plan exclusions: None		

* For Unclassified codes C9399, J3490 and J3590, prior authorization is only required for Onpattro[™].

Inpatient admissions	Notification required
Inpatient admissions: Acute inpatient rehabilitation (AIR)/long-term acute care (LTAC)/skilled nursing facility (SNF)	Notification required Prior authorization and notification of admission date required for these facilities providing post-acute inpatient services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acute care hospitals • Acute inpatient rehabilitation • Critical access hospitals • Long-term acute care hospitals • Skilled nursing facilities <p>Note: These plans are excluded from the skilled nursing facility prior authorization requirement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UnitedHealthcare[®] Assisted Living Plans (HMO SNP), (HMO-POS SNP), (PPO SNP) • UnitedHealthcare[®] Nursing Home

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Non-emergency air transport Non-urgent ambulance transportation by air between specified location	Prior authorization required	A0430	A0431	A0435	A0436
Orthognathic surgery Treatment of maxillofacial/jaw functional impairment	Prior authorization required	21120	21121	21122	21123
		21125	21127	21141	21142
		21143	21145	21146	21147
		21150	21151	21154	21155
		21159	21160	21188	21193
		21194	21195	21196	21198
		21199	21206	21210	21215
		21240	21242	21244	21245
		21246	21247		
Orthopedic – spine and joint surgeries	Prior authorization required	22100	22101	22102	22110
		22112	22114	22206	22207
		22210	22212	22214	22220
		22222	22224	22532	22533
		22548	22551	22554	22556
		22558	22590	22595	22600
		22610	22612	22630	22633
		22800	22802	22804	22808
		22810	22812	22818	22819
		22830	22849	22850	22852
		22855	22856	22861	22864
		22865	22867	22869	22899
		23470	23472	24360	24361
		24362	24363	27120	27122
		27125	27130	27132	27134
		27137	27138	27412	27445
		27446	27447	27486	27487
		29866	29867	29868	29914
		29915	29916	63001	63003
		63005	63011	63012	63015
		63016	63017	63020	63030
		63040	63042	63045	63046
		63047	63050	63051	63055
		63056	63064	63075	63077
		63081	63085	63087	63090
		63101	63102	63170	63172
		63173	63180	63182	63185
		63190	63191	63194	63195
		63196	63197	63198	63199
		63200	0200T	0201T	J7330
Orthotics	Prior authorization required for orthotics with a retail purchase or a cumulative rental cost of more than \$1,000	L0112	L0140	L0150	L0170
		L0200	L0220	L0452	L0462
		L0464	L0466	L0468	L0480
		L0482	L0484	L0486	L0622

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Orthotics(cont'd)		L0623	L0624	L0629	L0631
		L0632	L0634	L0636	L0638
		L0700	L0710	L0810	L0820
		L0830	L0859	L0999	L1000
		L1001	L1005	L1200	L1300
		L1310	L1499	L1630	L1640
		L1680	L1685	L1700	L1710
		L1720	L1730	L1755	L1834
		L1844	L1904	L1920	L2000
		L2005	L2010	L2020	L2030
		L2034	L2036	L2037	L2038
		L2040	L2050	L2060	L2070
		L2080	L2090	L2126	L2136
		L2232	L2320	L2387	L2520
		L2525	L2526	L2627	L2628
		L2800	L2861	L3160	L3201
		L3202	L3203	L3204	L3206
		L3207	L3208	L3209	L3211
		L3212	L3213	L3214	L3215
		L3250	L3251	L3252	L3253
		L3254	L3255	L3257	L3265
		L3320	L3485	L3649	L3674
		L3720	L3764	L3765	L3766
		L3891	L3900	L3901	L3904
		L3921	L3956	L3961	L3967
		L3971	L3973	L3975	L3976
		L3977	L3978	L4000	L4030
		L4040	L4045	L4050	L4055
		L4631			

Out-of-network services
A recommendation from a network physician or health care provider to a hospital, physician or other health care provider who isn't contracted with UnitedHealthcare

Note: Your agreement with UnitedHealthcare, Medica HealthCare or Preferred Care Partners may include restrictions on directing members outside of the UnitedHealthcare network. Your patients who use non-network physicians, health care professionals or facilities may have increased out-of-pocket expenses or no coverage.

Advance notification is required for UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage plan members when:

- A network physician or health care professional directs a member to an out-of-network facility, physician or other health care provider and the member's benefit plan doesn't include benefits for

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Out-of-network services (cont'd)	<p>out-of-network services or.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You want to request in-network costs sharing or benefit level because there are no available in-network care providers for the type of specialty services needed. . 				
Physical therapy/occupational therapy	Prior authorization required				
Outpatient rehabilitation services provided by a physical therapist or an occupational therapist, whether provided at home or on an ambulatory basis	All requests for physical therapy and occupational therapy at home or on an ambulatory basis should be directed to a health plan contracted vendor. For more information, please call the number on the member's health plan ID card.				
Potentially unproven services – including experimental and investigational (and or linked services)	Prior authorization required	28890	36514	61850	61863
		61864	61867	61868	61886
		64405	64555	64722	64744
Services, including medications, determined not to be effective for treatment of a medical condition		66180	95965	95966	
Services determined not to have a beneficial effect on health outcomes due to:					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Insufficient and inadequate clinical evidence from well-conducted randomized controlled trials Cohort studies in the prevailing published peer-reviewed medical literature 					
Prosthetics	Prior authorization required for prosthetics with a retail purchase or a cumulative rental cost of more than \$1,000	L5010	L5020	L5050	L5060
		L5100	L5105	L5150	L5160
		L5200	L5210	L5220	L5230
		L5250	L5270	L5280	L5301
		L5312	L5321	L5331	L5341
		L5400	L5420	L5500	L5505
		L5510	L5520	L5530	L5535
		L5540	L5560	L5570	L5580
		L5585	L5590	L5595	L5600
		L5610	L5611	L5613	L5614
		L5616	L5639	L5643	L5649
		L5651	L5681	L5683	L5700
		L5701	L5702	L5703	L5707
		L5724	L5726	L5728	L5780
		L5781	L5782	L5795	L5814
		L5818	L5822	L5824	L5826
		L5828	L5830	L5840	L5845
		L5848	L5856	L5857	L5858
		L5930	L5960	L5961	L5966
		L5968	L5973	L5979	L5980
		L5981	L5987	L5988	L5990
		L6000	L6010	L6020	L6026

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Prosthetics (cont'd)		L6050	L6055	L6100	L6110
		L6120	L6130	L6200	L6205
		L6250	L6300	L6310	L6320
		L6350	L6360	L6370	L6380
		L6382	L6384	L6400	L6450
		L6500	L6550	L6570	L6580
		L6582	L6584	L6586	L6588
		L6590	L6621	L6624	L6638
		L6646	L6648	L6693	L6696
		L6697	L6707	L6709	L6712
		L6713	L6714	L6715	L6721
		L6722	L6880	L6881	L6882
		L6883	L6884	L6885	L6895
		L6900	L6905	L6910	L6920
		L6925	L6930	L6935	L6940
		L6945	L6950	L6955	L6960
		L6965	L6970	L6975	L7007
		L7008	L7009	L7040	L7045
		L7170	L7180	L7181	L7185
		L7186	L7190	L7191	L7499
		L8035	L8039	L8041	L8042
		L8043	L8044	L8049	L8499
		L8505	L8604	L8609	L8699
Proton beam therapy Focused radiation therapy using beams of protons, which are tiny particles with a positive charge	Prior authorization required	77520	77522	77523	77525
Radiology services	Prior authorization no longer required				
Rhinoplasty Treatment of nasal functional impairment and septal deviation	Prior authorization required	30400	30410	30420	30430
		30435	30450	30460	30462
		30465			
Sleep apnea procedures and surgeries Maxillomandibular advancement and oral-pharyngeal tissue reduction for treatment of obstructive sleep apnea	Prior authorization required Applies to inpatient or outpatient procedures and surgeries including, but not limited to, palatopharyngoplasty – oral pharyngeal reconstructive surgery with laser-assisted uvulopalatoplasty (LAUP). Applies only for surgical sleep apnea procedures – not sleep studies.	21685 42145	41512	41530	41599
Spinal stimulator for pain management Spinal cord stimulators when implanted for pain management	Prior authorization required	63650	63655	63685	
Therapeutic radiology services	Prior authorization no longer required				
Transplant of tissue or organs Organ or tissue transplant or transplant-related services prior to pre-treatment or evaluation	Prior authorization required Request for transplant or transplant-related services prior to pre-treatment or evaluation	For transplant and CAR T-cell therapy services including Kymriah™ (tisagenlecleucel) and Yescarta™ (axicabtagene ciloleucel), please call the Optum Transplant Case Management Team at 888-936-7246 or the notification number on the back of			

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Transplant of tissue or organs (cont'd)		the member's health plan ID card.				
	Bone marrow harvest	38240	38241	38242		
	Evaluation for transplant	99205				
	Heart	33940	33944	33945		
	Heart/lung	33930	33935			
	Intestine	44132	44133	44135	44136	
	Kidney	50300	50320	50323	50340	
		50360	50365	50370	50380	
		50547				
	Liver	47135	47143	47147		
	Lung	32850	32851	32852	32853	
		32854	32856	S2060	S2061	
	Pancreas	48551	48552	48554		
	Services related to transplants	32855	33933	38208	38209	
		38210	38212	38213	38214	
		38215	38232	44137	44715	
		44720	44721	47133	47140	
		47141	47142	47144	47145	
		47146	50325	S2152		
	CAR-T Cell Therapy	0537T	0538T	0539T	0540T	
		Q2041	Q2042			
	Vagus nerve stimulation	Prior authorization required	61885	64568		
	Implantation of a device that sends electrical impulses into one of the cranial nerves					
	Vein procedures	Prior authorization required	36473	36475	36478	37700
	Removal and ablation of the main trunks and named branches of the saphenous veins in the treatment of venous disease and varicose veins of the extremities		37718	37722	37780	
	Ventricular assist devices (VAD)		Please call the Optum VAD Case Management Team at 888-936-7246 or the notification number on the back of the member's health plan ID card.			
	A mechanical pump that takes over the function of the damaged ventricle of the heart and restores normal blood flow		33975	33976	33979	33981

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Ventricular assist devices (VAD) (cont'd)		33982	33983	33927	33928
		33929			